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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner acknowledge as soon as possible Applicants' claim for priority and receipt of certified copies of the foreign priority documents, Japanese Application No. P2002-319152 filed 10/31/2002 and Japanese Application No. P2002-346446 filed 11/28/2002 submitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office on December 1, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

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